Wastewater Management Commission (WWMC) Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2009

(Approved by WWMC on June 29, 2009)

Meeting time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Tiverton Community Center

Members present: John Christo, Colleen Stanton, Chris Nearpass, Don Wilbur & Leroy Kendricks

Also in attendance: John Lincourt: (WWS) Wastewater Superintendent

Stephen Berlucchi: Public Works Director

Mr. Noel Berg – Tiverton resident Mr. Jeffery Stearns - Tiverton resident

1. The minutes of the 1 June 2009 meeting as recorded by the Secretary of the Commission was unanimously approved as corrected on a motion by Chris Nearpass and 2^{nd} by Colleen Stanton.

2. Sewer Projects:

- Bourne Mill Testing of the sewer lines are continuing.
- Mount Hope Interceptor Flushing of the interceptor on Bay and Foote Street is completed. This was accomplished with the help of the Fall River Sewer department. A flow meter monitoring device was installed to determine the performance of the existing flow meter. Upon data extraction of this device it was found that sediment had impaired the monitoring. A different type of flow meter was installed.
- Canonicus St sewer construction The bid package was modified and will be submitted to the Town Clerk this week
- **North Tiverton Fire Station** The parts necessary for the sewer line connection was donated by Dellbrook Construction.

3. Documentation & Procedures:

- **Sewer Ordinance review (Cesspools)** – Discussion was held concerning the various Town and State requirements on cesspools. A workshop with the Town Council to possibly modify the Tiverton Town Ordinance will be scheduled in the near future.

- **4. On-Site Issues:** Nothing to report.
- **5. Long Range Planning:** John Lincourt presented an updated FY 2010 Project Priority List to be submitted to the R.I. DEM. These projects will be reviewed by DEM with regards to the states revolving fund program. A motion to approve this list was made by Colleen Stanton and 2nd by Chris Nearpass passed unanimously.
- **6. Financial Report:** John Lincourt presented the WWMC expenditure report as of 5/31/2009 and the FY 2010 Wastewater Budget.

WWMC expenditure report: A payment of \$ 134,041.33 was paid to the City of Fall River for sewer collection. Funded by sewer usage fees. WWM operations expenditures are all within budget. A motion to approve purchase of a manhole cover remover and gas meter was made by Colleen Stanton and 2nd by Chris Nearpass passed unanimously.

FY 2010 Wastewater Budget: A draft copy was presented to the WWMC for review and comment. The major issue is the fact that the amount of sewer usage has been on the down trend, therefore the amount of revenue collected by the administrative fee at the present fee structure is getting lower. To compensate for the lower revenue amount the sewer user administration fee may be increased. John Lincourt presented a draft billing alternate worksheet for the WWMC to review and comment. The proposed billing fee structure will be discussed at the next meeting.

- **7. Public Education:** Nanaquaket Pond –Workshop status Action to acquire presentation material and location to hold the workshop is continuing.
- **8. General Administration:** John Lincourt reported that the present part-time clerk who prepares the billing statements has acquired a new position. A new part-time clerk is needed.
- **9.** A motion to adjourn (6:48 PM) made by Colleen Stanton and 2nd by Chris Nearpass passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting date is scheduled for June 29, 2009, 5:00PM at Tiverton Community Center.

Submitted by:

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Secretary WWMC